

With the Washington Churches

THE TREND OF THINGS

Women identified with foreign missions, just ending a series of conventions, have voted to make their campaign permanent, and have retained Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, of Boston, and Mrs. Helen B. Montgomery, of Rochester, as leaders. Co-operation will be had with the women's foreign boards of all religious bodies, as formerly, but an official board is now constituted to act for all. This new board will push more study class work both in summer conferences and in local churches, and organize a teaching force to go from city to city and conference to conference in summer. Women identified with home missions will now enter upon their institutes, which are to begin in October next, and be held in at least 100 cities. They are also co-operating with common boards in all bodies, the home auxiliary ones, and they will make a particular study of immigrant, negro, and Indian work. The foreign women will not stop their work, but will endeavor to raise \$100,000. Not having quite reached it during their meetings, they will continue their efforts to secure the money still needed for their campaign in New York, brought out the largest number of women in aid of any cause ever assembled in that city.

Quakers Against Boy Scouts.

Quakers have joined in formal protest to the promoters of the Boy Scout movement and the American public against the military character of the new efforts for boys. They declare that such a phase of the movement is quite unnecessary and contrary to the general spirit of the time both in America and England, where peace and disarmament are the order of the day. In their protest the Quakers say boys can be brought next to nature in outdoor life without the military feature, that they can be trained for citizenship without it, and that the Scout idea passed when American Indians took up land in severity. They say Boy Scout promoters are way behind the times. Instead of the military, they suggest after the recreative features are attended to, industrial plants in cities and villages, managed by boys under the advice of older persons, and the use of their earnings for worthwhile work and industrial exhibitions, and competitions be held annually. With other features, such military features as are advantages offered by the present Scout plans and much more, say these Friends. In the protest the good in the Boy Scout idea is commended, the war feature condemned.

LUTHERAN CHURCHES.

Keller Memorial Lutheran Church on Palm Sunday morning will receive a large class of catechumens by the rite of confirmation. At the same service the sacrament of baptism will be administered to children. In the evening the young people's choir will render an Easter cantata entitled "Christus Anselm." In both of these religious features of the church are deeply interested.

In his pastoral letter the Rev. John W. Evers, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Reformation during Holy Week, Sunday at 11 a. m., confirmation of catechumens and reception of new members, at 7:30 p. m., Palm Sunday service, at 8:30 p. m., evening of Holy Week, beginning Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, communion of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, and communion on Good Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

At Concordia Church, Twentieth and G streets northwest, the public examination of a confirmation class of twenty took place Thursday evening. The class consisted of twelve boys and eight girls. Their names are John, Elmer, Francis, Philip, Christian, Pease, Joseph, Henry, Harry, Linden, Richard, Meininger, Emil, Menzel, Lawrence, Oscar, Frank, Panzer, Louis, Rindberg, Christian, Heinrich, Hans, Worch, Grace, Hilkey, Elmer, Bogdan, Emma, Elliott, Margaret, Kappler, Louise, Niekirk, Frieda, Odershausen, Frances, Strauss, and Max, all residing in Washington.

Confirmation will take place in the morning service tomorrow (Palm Sunday), and the evening service is to be an occasion of reunion for all who have been confirmed in baptism. The service will be held at 7:30 o'clock, with special music and other features, taking place in the church auditorium. The service will be held at 7:30 o'clock, with special music and other features, taking place in the church auditorium.

During the week beginning Sunday, April 9, there will be daily services in all St. Paul's Church, Fourteenth and I streets. These services will begin promptly at 10 a. m., with the exception of Saturday, when the service will begin at 9 a. m. The services will include a brief meditation by the minister, Dr. Uvessa G. B. Pierce, on the general subject, "The Master's Prayer." The particular topics are as follows: Sunday, "The defeat that conquers"; Monday, "The perfecting spirit"; Tuesday, "The enduring spirit"; Wednesday, "The forgiving spirit"; Thursday, "The steadfast spirit"; and Friday, "The sacrificing spirit."

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS.

Recently officers of the American Board of Foreign Missions of the Congregational Church arrived in Boston, bringing with them a million dollars in securities, the most notable gift ever made to the American Board and one of the greatest gifts to foreign missions in all history. The name of the donor is withheld from public announcement at present, but it is known to be that of a prominent name in philanthropy and missions. The amount was given as an endowment for higher educational work in the board's colleges and theological seminaries in foreign lands. The committee has been for many months collecting data in order to determine the use of the income for the next year. Critical needs of many years standing can now be partially met. Practically all of the board's seminaries and colleges will receive substantial aid.

Congregationalists are struggling with the appointment plan, which just now is under fire. A commission has been at work and is advocating clear-headed business methods for the conduct of the church finances. The object of the appointment is adequately to support the denominational agencies. Money given to other forms of work, however valuable, does not save the various boards from debt. Large sums have been contributed to objects outside of the board's work, and though this may be valuable, like Dr. Grenfell's work in Labrador or independent work in Africa or Asia, they cannot compare, it is urged, in far-reaching importance or economy of investment.

CHURCH EVENTS OF THE COMING WEEK

Sunday—Morning, afternoon, and evening services appropriate for Palm Sunday in all Catholic and many Protestant churches.

In Memorial Continental Hall, D. A. R., at 4 p. m., Hon. William Jennings Bryan speaks under auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. Subject, "The price of a soul."

Seventh anniversary dedication of Peoples Church II, at 8 o'clock. Dr. Radcliffe concludes evening service on "Our Bible." Subject, "The indispensable book."

Monday—Baptist of Washington City convenes at 7:30 p. m.

Baltimore Baptist ministers guests of Washington Baptist church to-day.

Washington churches throughout of St. Andrew observe interdenominational week of prayer, beginning to-day.

Tuesday—Disciples of Christ in Washington in united Holy Week services at Vermont Avenue Church, afternoon and evening.

Episcopal Presbytery meets in Washington to-day.

Wednesday—Baptist Union, evening 7:30 p. m.

At St. Patrick's church will be closed and Mr. Russell will preach the sermon.

Thursday—High mass at St. Patrick's 9 a. m.

Seminal meeting congregation Vermont Avenue Christian Church 8 p. m.

Friday—Good Friday, solemn services and music, morning, afternoon, and evening.

ment with the regular work of the board. Evidently Congregationalists are facing a serious problem in the generous disposition of their membership toward objects which the officials regard as a secondary responsibility compared with the immediate needs of the church, an hour of prayer, and the like, and to benefit the societies of the church this appropriation plan is being inaugurated.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

A gratifying feature of the reports of the past year in the Baltimore conference was the distinct advance made in the district of Columbia in membership gains and in contributions for the maintenance of the church. While the figures are not at hand to give details, officials of the church have noted with satisfaction that Washington churches have more than kept up their quota in these gains.

The Women's Foreign Missions Society of the Washington district will hold its annual thank offering service at the Metropolitan Memorial Church, John Marshall place and C street, on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The program will include an address by Miss Elizabeth Straw, a missionary from London, China. Mrs. D. C. G. Lewis and Miss Harriet E. Harding will contribute vocal numbers to the program.

On Sunday morning the Rev. Dr. John R. Shaw, pastor of the Metropolitan Memorial M. E. Church, will preach the first of an Easter series of sermons on "What we know and what we do not know about life hereafter." The Rev. Dr. Shaw will be upon the words, "God hath set eternity in their hearts." Eccl. viii, 1. The second upon the words, "And I looked and behold a door was opened in heaven, and He showed me the things that must be hereafter." Rev. viii, 10.

The seventh anniversary of the dedication of the new Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church will be observed tomorrow. Bishop William F. Anderson, who won the hearts of the people while presiding at the Baltimore conference during that week, will preach both morning and evening. This church organization is nearly ninety-seven years old and has achieved notable things. The board of foreign missions, wherever Methodism is known, and it is always associated with the name of Henry Fox-Allen, who built the first church on the site of the new Foundry.

Sabbath School will be held during Passion Week, except Saturday, at 9 o'clock at Foundry, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Wedderburn.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

The Presbytery of Washington City will meet in the Western Presbyterian Church of this city, in H street, between Ninth and Tenth streets northwest, on April 10 and 11. The opening meeting will be held on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, when the sermon will be preached by the moderator, Rev. Charles L. Selby. The second meeting, to serve for the coming six months will be elected at this same meeting. Sessions will be held all day on Tuesday, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Reports from all the churches will be given of the work of the year. Four commissioners will be elected to attend the annual meeting of the General Assembly at Atlantic City in May. The presbytery consists of thirty-three churches, with a membership of 10,000, and fifty-eight ministers.

Sunday morning, April 2, was a notable one in the history of the Western Presbyterian Church memorial. Sixty persons were received into full membership at the communion service held that day, twenty of whom came by profession of their faith and forty by letter from other churches. This is the largest number received at any one communion service in the history of the church. A number were received at the communion service to be held on the night of Good Thursday, April 12. At the service on Sunday the pastor, Rev. T. E. Davis, was assisted by the Rev. Dr. B. B. Bittinger, who served this church for thirty-six years, and by the Rev. Dr. Robinson.

Is New York Avenue Church next Sunday evening Dr. Radcliffe gives the closing lecture in his series upon "Our Bible," the subject being "The indispensable book." The scope and treatment of these lectures has led to a very general demand for their publication, which Dr. Radcliffe is at present considering. The spring communion of this church has for the past three years been held on the Thursday evening before Easter, and being thus a celebration of the first institution of the Lord's Supper and held

in the evening on a week night, has attracted a congregation filling the church to the galleries. It has become an established custom in this church and will be held next Thursday evening.

The Chesapeake Presbyterian Union of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies meets at Ashburn, Va., April 7. The Central Presbyterian Church of this city will be represented by the following: Mrs. Seldon M. Ely, Misses Mary Weddell, Bertha Enderle, Clara Floy, Jessie Kuesman, Nannie Wells, Mary Wells, Ruth Todd, Elmer Swaine, Frances Swaine, Agnes Pendleton, and Letitia Southgate.

Rev. James H. Taylor and Elder James Trimble, of the Central Church, will attend the meeting of the Chesapeake Presbytery at Waterford, Va., Tuesday, April 11.

At the Church of the Covenant, Rev. Dr. Charles Wood, pastor, the church quartet will render the following program at the 7:30 o'clock service to-morrow:

Organ, "Idyl." Kinder, anthem, "Tarry with Me." Baldwin, contralto, and God So Loved the World, Sullivan, tenor.

"How Vain is Man," Handel, anthem, "Ode, to Which We Look Up Blindly," Chadwick, and barytons, "The Palms," Pauline.

The 7:30 o'clock musical service will be led by Mrs. Fugitt, Mrs. Hempstead, and Ministers Orchestra, and at the 8 o'clock service Dr. Wood will continue his series of sermons on "The seven words of the cross," the preacher of the spirituality of nature.

During the coming week services will be held every afternoon except Saturday, at 5 o'clock in the church, preceded by a half-hour musical service, and an address will be given each day by the pastor, on "The last days in our Lord's earthly life."

At the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday night, Hon. William Jennings Bryan will deliver the "Seven words of the cross," at 8 o'clock. The bare notice will, no doubt, pack the church.

On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights, at 7:30 o'clock, special holy week services are held at the First Presbyterian Church, Dr. MacLeod speaking.

On Friday the address will be given, "The seven words from the cross," and will be illustrated.

WITH THE EPISCOPALIANS.

Tomorrow is called Palm Sunday, because of the entering of Jesus into that city as he entered Jerusalem on that day.

The Thursday following is often called Maundy Thursday from "maund," a command. The name is variously explained as referring to the "new commandment" given by our Lord "to love one another," or to the custom of washing the feet of his disciples, or as having reference to the "maund," which was instituted on that day.

During Holy Week the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and following at the Brotherhood week of prayer, beginning April 9 and ending April 15.

At Trinity Church, Third and C streets northwest, Rev. Richard P. Williams, pastor, there will be special services under the auspices of the junior chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

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The general diocesan meeting of the women's auxiliary was held in St. John's Parish Hall, Sixteenth street, on Tuesday last at 2 o'clock.

Rev. Dr. George McClellan Pike, rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence, R. I., delivered the closing Lenten sermon of the series of 1911 at St. John's Church. His subject was "The Christian home."

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REV. PETER AINSLIE, who addresses Baptist Conference Monday.

BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Annual interest attaches to the conference of Baptist ministers to be held on next Monday morning in the Fifth Baptist Church, Washington ministers are convening. The Baptist ministers of Baltimore, and the principal paper of the day will be read by Rev. Peter Ainslie on the subject of "City evangelization."

Rev. Ainslie, though a Disciple, is a member of the Baptist Conference at Baltimore, and comes as a representative of that body to the Washington meeting. He is regarded as one of the brightest and most capable men of the Baptist Church, which has now become a very big one. It has connected with it a seminary, an orphanage, a home for working girls, a Chinese school, and has maintained four other churches in the same city.

Rev. Ainslie, who is still a young man, has been president of the Baptist national convention and is chairman of the "People's council" of the Baptist Union. In this relation he has been associated with such men as Bishop Anderson, Dr. Manning, and Dr. Nehemiah Boynton.

Luncheon will be served at the Fifth Baptist Church at about 1 p. m., and President Taft will receive the members of the joint conference of Baptist ministers in the afternoon.

Dr. A. H. Dixon, of Chicago, has been invited to Spurgeon's Tableland in London. He is holding the call under advertisement.

Arrangements for Holy Week services at the Temple Baptist are on Monday evening the Rev. H. C. Finkham, pastor, will deliver the sermon, "The King cometh," at 8 o'clock. On Wednesday, at 8 p. m., devotionals and self-examination services, with address by Rev. R. P. Williams, chairman of the Board of Christian Education, with sermon, at 8 p. m.

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evening, his topic being "The immortal man." The judge is an able platform man, and his address upon this topic is regarded as one of the best of his lectures. Special music has been arranged. The banquet is to be served by the Mite Society.

Pastor Howitt, of the Second Church, concluded a series of meetings at Chevy Chase Baptist Church last Sunday night. Some eight additional persons were made to the church membership and revival of interest in that neighborhood is resulting.

At Occle Highlands there seems to be a revival of interest. Sunday last marked a record attendance in the Sunday school.

"She said, 'I do not care for her, but like her big dinner'" will be explained Sunday night at the Chevy Chase Baptist Church, in Typographical Temple, 425 G street northwest.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Rhode Island Avenue Methodist Protestant Church has two Christian Endeavor organizations of young people loyal in the support of the church, and in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Frank T. Benson, who is in attendance upon the sessions of the Maryland district conference, the Endeavorers will be in charge of the evening church service. Attractive music will be provided for the occasion and short talks on the fundamentals of Christian Endeavor by some of the officers of the District C. E. Union will form a part of the programme.

An Easter egg social at Mount Pleasant Congregational Church last night afforded much amusement for a large gathering of young people. The charge for admission was one egg. A part of the evening was devoted to an egg hunt, and all engaged in an effort to find the number of eggs, which had been placed in out-of-the-way places in the room. Near the close of the evening the refreshment committee served egg sandwiches and deviled eggs.

An interesting feature of the monthly educational meeting of the Bethany Baptist Church, which was held last Sunday evening was the address on "Baptist doctrines" by Dr. Coyte, of Syracuse, N. Y. Special music was furnished by a quartet composed of Miss Emma Williams, Mrs. Pearl Williams, and Messrs. Harry Shinnock and J. J. Albion.

Ingram Memorial Congregational Young People's Society closed this week the series of addresses. President, Mrs. Lucy A. Bass, vice president, Mr. M. W. Borden, recording secretary, Miss Bernice M. Maloney, correspondence, Miss Helen M. Wright, treasurer, Miss Rosalie Hurdley, junior boys' superintendent, Mr. A. K. Dietrich, junior girls' superintendent, Mrs. Emily J. Barnes, look-out, Mr. M. W. Borden, missionary chairman, Miss Edna Frizzell, prayer meeting chairman, Mr. A. E. Hobbs, social chairman, Mr. Chester Howe, and music chairman, Miss Margaret L. Depue.

The Young People's C. E. Society of Calvary Baptist Church is engaged in an interesting campaign for an increase of attendance at its weekly meetings. The members are divided among the six committees, of which the one having the largest percentage present for three months will receive a reward.

The Intermediate C. E. Society of Immanuel Baptist Church will give its "social social" at the church next Friday evening. The Beta C. E. Society of Ninth Street Christian Church and Mr. P. F. Drury, intermediate superintendent of the District Union, will be guests of honor. The address will be given by the social committee, in charge of the arrangements.

The society of Whitney Avenue Christian Church has subscribed \$50 for Kimball Memorial Hall, to be paid before October 1.

The secretary of the District Union has received reports from most of the local societies, which show a large number of new members secured since July 1, 1910, and an increase and betterment campaign.

Four societies were received into the District Union this week, as follows: Ingram Memorial Congregational Young People's, First Reformed, Friends, and Washington Heights Presbyterian Junior.

First Baptist society held an interesting conference meeting this week on the subject, "What pray ye for to-morrow?" The subject was the most timely and hardest for men to keep. Mr. Elgin Smith led the meeting. Instead of the usual roll call numbered slips were distributed among the members who answered to the call of their number.

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CHURCH SERVICES TO-MORROW IN WASHINGTON AND ITS VICINITY.

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EPISCOPAL.

ST. THOMAS.
10th, near Dupont circle, between P and Q sts.
8:00 a. m.—Holy communion and Bible classes.
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school and quiet study.
11:30 a. m.—Morning prayer and sermon by C. E. Jones.
7:30 p. m.—Evening prayer and sermon by C. E. Jones.
Sabbath school at 7:30 p. m.

On Good Friday, 12 to 13 hours' service, conducted by Rev. J. W. Smith, D. D., D. C. L., at the cathedral by choir, "Seven Last Words." Admission by ticket.

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